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COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Tuesday, *the* 2nd of Dhanu 1105.
17th of December 1929.

The House met at Half past Eleven of the Clock with the President in the Chair. Mr. A. S. Harihara Ayyar alone was absent.

Questions and Answers.

Works undertaken by the P. W. D. without budget provision.

31. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state the items of work above Rs. 1,000 undertaken by the Public Works Department in the last three years up-to-date for which there were no provisions in the budget of each year ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Government consider that the labour involved in preparing the lists is not commensurate with the purpose served.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Are there many such items?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—There cannot be many. But they are distributed over several years, during several months of the year. It will take a lot of time to find out the necessary information.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—How many items will there be?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—I am unable to say exactly now.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was this answer given without looking into the papers?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The papers were looked into. I am unable to say how many items.

Allotment for the Economic Development Board.

32. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state what amount was allotted for the Economic Development Board for the year 1104 and what are the details of the expenditure incurred by the Board.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Vide statement appended. (*Appendix I.*)

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